

THE CONFESSIONAL

The Views of a Medical Man on the Subject

The Rev. Dr. Talmage, of Brooklyn, felt the need of knowing the sins of his people—how Catholics are taught properly to confess.

A church without the confessional is like a hospital without doctors, writes "A Catholic Medical Man" in the Liverpool "Catholic Times." Allow me to explain why. The doctors are the preservers and executors of all that vast store of knowledge who has come down to us, ever increasing, from before the days of Hippocrates.

The philosophy involved in medical case-taking holds good but in a far higher degree of the system of the Confessional. Casuistry, or the science of solving the right and wrong of given cases, has been decried and written down until the name has come to signify ingenious fine-spun sophistry.

The little ones are generally found homes in different cities and States and the Mission of the Immaculate Virgin is as well if not better known outside of New York than in it.

Applications come to this mission from all over the universe for the adoption of children. When the application is received correspondence is at once started between the parish priest of the city in which the applicant lives and those in charge of the Mission.

The society is very particular, and never loses track of a child, no matter in how good a home it has been placed. The families who have adopted these little ones are called upon yearly by some member of the Mission until the child has reached the age to be able to look after itself.

uses with his own experience when administering the sacrament of Penance. Dr. Talmage, the well-known Baptist preacher, of Brooklyn, felt the need of knowing the sins of his people when he spent six nights visiting the haunts of vice in the great American city, and the experiences of these nights he published in six lectures.

FOR ORPHANS.

The Mission of the Immaculate Virgin in New York.

It Was Founded in 1870 by Father Drumgoole and is the Largest Institution of the Kind in that City—How Its Affairs Are Conducted.

"The Mission of the Immaculate Virgin" was founded in 1870 by the Rev. Father Drumgoole, and is the largest institution of its kind in New York city. Its object is the protection of homeless Catholic children, to teach trades and to obtain homes for its inmates.

There are at present 1,000 boys at Mount Loretto. The majority of all the inmates are committed by city judges and supported by the city funds. Others are received from all parts of the country, from California to Maine, and are supported by the private income of the Mission.

The little ones are conveyed once a year to their destination by a gentleman employed for this purpose. Each child is met at the depot by those to whose care it is to be consigned forever, and the train moves on dropping off at nearly every large city one or more of these homeless little ones.

The majority of these children are adopted by childless women in good circumstances, and in all cases the homes found for them are desirable ones. The right of inheritance is always given with these children, as is also their history. Persons adopting these little ones have nothing to fear from the parents of such child, should they have any living, but in most cases they are children who have been abandoned or orphaned.

Catholic Population of New England. The Catholic population of New England is nearly one-fifth in Maine, one-third in New Hampshire, one-fourth in Vermont, two-fifths in Massachusetts, more than two-fifths in Rhode Island, and one-third in Connecticut.

The Bible in Iroquois. Rev. N. Y. Burton, the Oblate missionary at Caughnawaga, is about to publish a Bible in Iroquois, the translation having been made by himself.

DIOCESAN NEWS.

Dansville.

Miss Agnes Mitchell is visiting in Mt. Morris.

The Excelsior Fair closed Saturday night of last week and proved to be a grand success, as was predicted. The contest between the C. M. B. A. and Total Abstinence Society for the picture of Father Day, was an exciting one and resulted in victory for the former.

Geneseo.

Frank J. Madden, of Rochester was a guest of friends here Sunday. Mrs. J. Curry, nee Costello, who has been here since her father died, left Saturday for her home in N. Y. City.

Seneca Falls.

The Father Mathew Drill Corps gave one of their pleasant dancing parties and Exhibition drills at Johnson Opera house Wednesday evening of last week, and like everything they undertake it was a grand success.

Misses Alice Rogan and Mary Flanagan have returned from New York. Palmyra.

The death of Miss Mary Welch, who has been a long and patient sufferer, took place Nov. 26. Her remains were carried to their last resting place Friday. Patrick Kennedy, who has been failing for a long time, expired Wednesday afternoon.

Newark.

The dancing party of Newark C. B. L. Thanksgiving eve was a very pleasant affair. A large number were present, many being present from out of town.

Auburn.

The first entertainment of the Catholic Relief and Beneficiary Association was held on Monday evening of last week in the rooms of Branch 59, C. M. B. A. The rooms were crowded with friends of the new organization, who showed their appreciation of the programme by the applause with which they greeted nearly every number.

St. Joseph's Home was a scene of happiness on Thanksgiving night. As is customary the Young Ladies' Sodality of St. Marys church gave the orphans a supper and many grateful hearts were made happy.

The Young Ladies' Society of St. Alphonsus Church gave an oyster supper and entertainment at the German school on Franklin street, Thanksgiving. It was a very pleasant affair and reflected great credit on the young ladies who had it in charge.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

M. J. Dwyer and Miss Addie Tinney were married at the Church of our Lady of Victory Thanksgiving by Rev. A. A. Notebaert.

Several young ladies will be received into the Sodality of the Children of Mary of St. Mary's church next Monday.

The Knights of St. John the Baptist will give a complimentary reception at the French Hall, on New Years eve.

Holy Rosary Church.

A fair will be held in the new Church of the Holy Rosary in Glenwood next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. A large number of donations have been received and the success of the affair is assured.

Nazareth Reading Circle.

A general meeting of the Reading Circle of Nazareth Academy was held Wednesday evening. The programme was under the auspices of H. H. Craig. The authors for the evening Bishop Spaulding, Maurice F. Egan, John Boyle O'Reilly and Louise Imogene Guiney.

Resolutions by Branch 88.

For the first time in the history of Branch 88, we find recorded opposite a member's name on our Roll Book that ominous word—dead.

The chain of friendship which bound so closely together the members of this Branch is broken, and the link which we regarded the safest is missing.

Brother Garvey is no longer with us; his friendly ways and earnest work will be missed in our meetings.

Brother Garvey was an example of perseverance—and integrity in a young man. He was a devoted son, a loving brother, and a true member of our association. His death will be a severe loss to his parents—his brother—and sisters, and we extend to them our heartfelt sympathy in this their sad affliction.

Resolved, that this expression of Branch 88 on the death of Malachy Garvey be inscribed on our minutes, a copy sent to his sorrowing parents and published in the official organs of the C. M. B. A.

JAMES L. WHALEN, ALBERT E. LOIZEAU, JOHN S. WOOCK, Committee. Election of Officers.

Corpus Christi Branch, No. 139, C. M. B. A., has elected officers as follows: Spiritual Adviser, Rev. J. J. Leary; Chancellor, Charles Crowley; President, Frank Carberry; 1st Vice-President, Frank Ward; 2d Vice-President, L. A. Kemmer; Recording Sec., T. Fagan; Associate-Rec. Sec., W. Burley; Financial Sec., T. J. Sullivan; Treas., M. McLoughlin; Marshal, John Sharkey; Guard, Robert Herbert; Trustees, Dr. J. H. McCort, T. J. Haggerty.

St. Patrick's Branch, No. 88, C. M. B. A., elected the following officers for the ensuing year at its meeting Dec. 31: Spiritual Adviser, Rev. James P. Kiernan; Pres., Dr. James F. Crowley; 1st Vice-Pres., James F. Casey; 2d Vice-Pres., Cornelius O'Neil; Rec. Sec., John F. Casey; Asst. Rec. Sec., James L. Whalen; Finan. Sec., John A. Wood; Treas., Richard F. Noonan; Marshal, Michael Moore; Guard, Jeremiah Breen; Trustees, James F. Casey, James McCormick, Albert E. Loizeau; Chancellors, Jas. L. Whalen, Albert E. Loizeau, James McCormick.

LEGAL NOTICE.

THE People of the State of New York, by the Grace of God free and independent: To Michael Larkin, John Larkin, Ready Larkin, James Larkin, Michael Larkin and Maggie Larkin, next of kin, heirs at law, creditors and persons interested in the estate of Michael Larkin, late of the City of Rochester, in the County of Monroe, deceased, Greeting: You are hereby cited and required to appear before the Surrogate of our County of Monroe, in the Surrogate Court, on the 21st day of January, 1901, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, at the Surrogate's office in the forenoon of that day, at the City of Rochester, then and there to attend the judicial settlement of the accounts of Bernard O'Reilly, as the administrator of the estate of said deceased. And if any of the aforesaid persons are under the age of twenty-one years, they will please take notice that they are required to appear by their general guardian, or in the event of their neglect or failure to do so, a special guardian will be appointed by the Surrogate to represent and act for them in the proceedings for the settlement of said estate. In Testimony Whereof, We have caused the seal of the Surrogate of our County of Monroe, to be hereto affixed. Witness: Hon. J. A. Adington, Surrogate, this 10th day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine. M. W. BASH, Clerk Surrogate's Court. O'BRIEN & PAINE, Attorneys for Administrator, Rochester, N. Y.

H. R. Jacobs' Academy

Telephone 497. Matinees—Monday, Wednesday and Saturday. ONE WEEK, beginning Monday afternoon, December 3. The Beautiful Western Romance. DEVIL'S MINE. Interpreted by an Excellent Company of Dramatic and Specialty Artists. Striking Scenes and Situations. Alive with Roll-Calling Fun. New and Thrilling Stage Effects. Bright Songs and dances. NEXT WEEK—Night Owls.

SOME BEAUTIFUL BINDINGS

IN Prayer Books, Bibles AND Books of Devotion. For Christmas are shown by

Scrantom, Wetmore & Co.

41 STATE ST. In fact their stock of Prayer Books is much the handsomest in Rochester.

S. W. & Co. have a HOLIDAY ANNEX

In the handsome store 160 STATE STREET, For Albums, Books and Fancy Goods at special bargain rates.

CREDIT CLOTHING CO.

EVERYBODY can dress well. How? By calling at 109 East Main street, and selecting your Suits and Overcoats from our choice stock. Suits and Overcoats made to order, and a perfect fit guaranteed or no sale. We require only a small payment down. You have the use of the goods while paying for them. We are the only house in the city selling goods on instalments at Cash Prices. Rochester Credit Clothing & Tailoring Co., 109 E. Main street. Open day and evenings.

W. W. Atkinson & E. C. Sykes

ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS. Telephone 672. Electric Bells, Electric Gaslighting, Burglar Alarms, Watchmen's CLOCKS, Speaking Tubes.

J. M. Reddington, BEST GRADES OF COAL.

KINDLING WOOD. TELEPHONE 390. 356 EXCHANGE ST.

CLOTHING ON EASY PAYMENTS

Thousands of ready made Overcoats, Ulsters and Suits for Men and Boys. Ladies' Dress Goods, Cloaks, Jacket, etc., sold on our famous weekly of monthly payment plan. Goods delivered on first payment. Easiest terms, largest assortment, and lowest prices are drawing the crowds to the People's Installation. Clothing Rooms, 6 and 7 first floor over No. 16 State street, cor. Exchange place. Open day and evenings.

MARBLE and GRANITE WORKS NELL BROS. & KERN,

MANTELS, GRATES AND TILES. IMPORTERS OF SCOTCH GRANITE, 238 & 240 STATE ST. ROCHESTER, N. Y.

Ask Your NEIGHBOR

TO SUBSCRIBE FOR

The Catholic Journal Only 1.00 Per Year. IN ADVANCE.

Advertisement for a house with nine rooms, kitchen, pantry, hall, porch, and various features. Includes a floor plan diagram.